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Dear Sir,

We do not need Biosolids in the Antelope Valley. We have a westerly wind that blows continuously. We receive very little rain and everything is very dry. When the wind blows clouds of dust arise and travel for miles and miles across the valley. The wind averages 30 miles per hour most afternoons.

I agree with Heather Mitchell who wrote you a letter published in the Antelope Valley Press on Sept. 3, 1999. The natural contaminants carried by the wind are bad enough. We do not want human waste blowing around in the air.

I have lived and worked in the Antelope Valley for 38 years. I am now retired and plan to continue living here. Where we live on the east side of Lancaster we get a lot of dust often in the afternoons. In the past we have seen great clouds of dust sweeping across the valley from the west to the east. We know this will continue varying with the amount of rainfall received during a year.

Sincerely yours,

Anne Vellinga

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Biosolids being piled higher, higher in AV

I'm 13 years old and I'm writing this letter regarding the biosolids land application and how I feel about it.

I feel that the biosolids land application really stinks! I don't quite know who wants to spread the biosolids, but I really don't think they should have the permission to spread the biosolids just because they think we're the low man on the totem pole and therefore we don't count.

Well, they're wrong. We may be the low man but we still count, just like other people.

Do the people of the Antelope Valley pay their taxes? Yes, they do, so why don't the people involved in the biosolids just use this tax money to burn the biosolids? Wouldn't that be easier and maybe safer than loading gallons and gallons of human waste (or what you refer to as biosolids) into hundreds of trucks and driving one hour from Los Angeles to the Antelope Valley and dumping it all on the farmlands of the Antelope Valley?

One of the worst problems the Antelope Valley has is wind, so if they spread the biosolids, our famous wind is going to blow the stuff all the way to Victorville and it will be in people's homes; they'll be breathing it; it will be on our food and will be the dirt we must clean off our tables at dinner time. How would you like to clean human waste off your sink and floor every day? Or maybe you could imagine your baby crawling through it — yuck.

Another real issue I have is all the diseases and illnesses that will affect the people of the Antelope Valley. I know a very nice person who got around some of this biosolid stuff and got so sick that he thought he was doing to die. Imagine that the biosolid affects one-third of the Antelope Valley's people. I think this whole idea is just wrong, don't you?

If you agree with me, write to:
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All letters must be written before Sept. 10.

Heather R. Mitchell
Lancaster

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Responses to Comments from Anne Vellinga

35-1. See Response to Comment 34-1.

35-2. See Response to Comment 34-1.